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SUBJECT: CYPRUS TO CONSIDER ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
FOR IRAQI REFUGEES

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Per reftel, PolOff on March 28 demarched MFA attache Dionysis Dionysiou regarding the plight of Iraqi refugees. Dionysiou acknowledged the deteriorating situation and agreed that further assistance from the international community was vital. Cyprus already had donated 20,000 USD to UNHCR, he noted. Further, the government had some discretionary funding for humanitarian needs. Dionysiou was non-committal, however, when pressed for a follow-up pledge to benefit Iraqi refugees.
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